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TWO KC MEN INDICTED IN PCP CONSPIRACY

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that two Kansas City men were indicted by a federal grand jury today on charges related to a conspiracy to distribute phencyclidine (PCP).

James E. Carter, 23, and **George A. Richardson**, 29, both of Kansas City, Mo., were charged in a five-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury meeting in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Carter** and **Richardson** conspired to distribute 100 grams or more of phencyclidine (PCP) between October 1 and November 14, 2002.

Each of the remaining four counts of the indictment alleges that **Carter** and **Richardson** distributed PCP on separate occasions during the month of November 2002.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney David A. Barnes. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department.

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